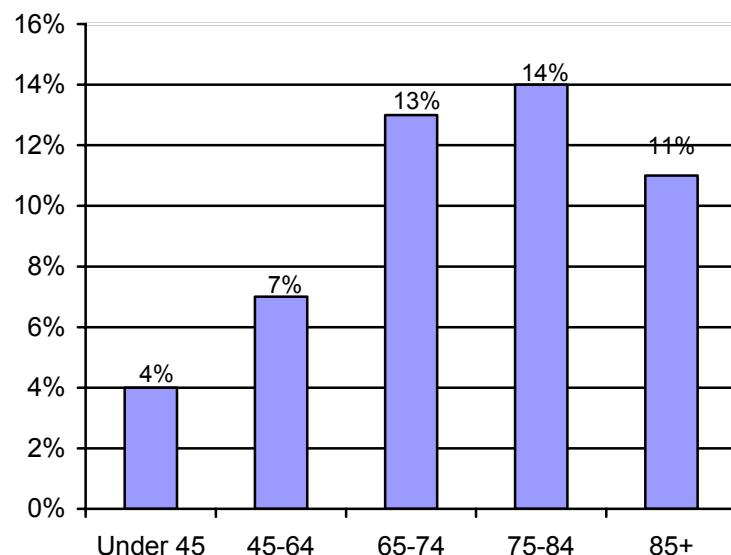


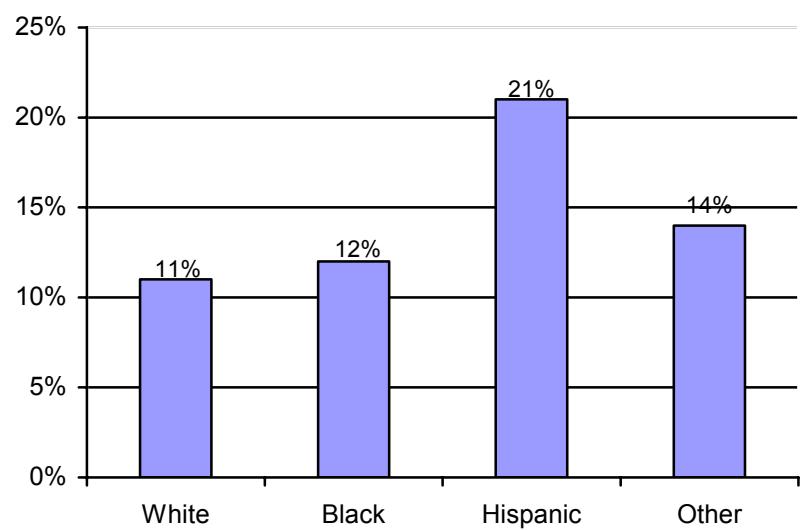
# Section 6

## Membership in Health Maintenance Organizations (HMOs) in 2003

Percentage of Beneficiaries in HMOs, by Age

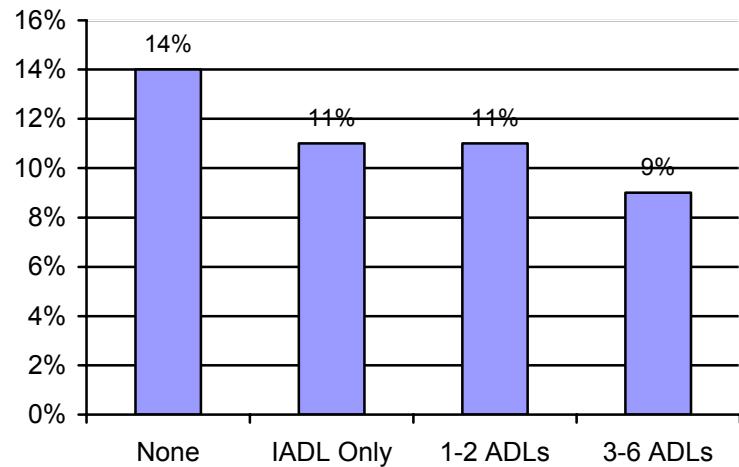


Percentage of Beneficiaries in HMOs, by Race and Ethnicity

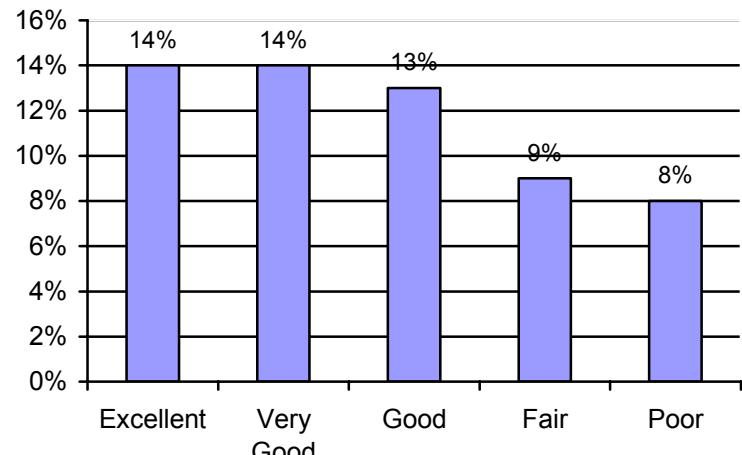


- Beneficiaries who were aged 65 to 84 were more likely to belong to an HMO than any other age group.
- Hispanic beneficiaries were the most likely to belong to an HMO, while all other races had similar chances.

**Percentage of Beneficiaries in HMOs, by Functional Limitations**

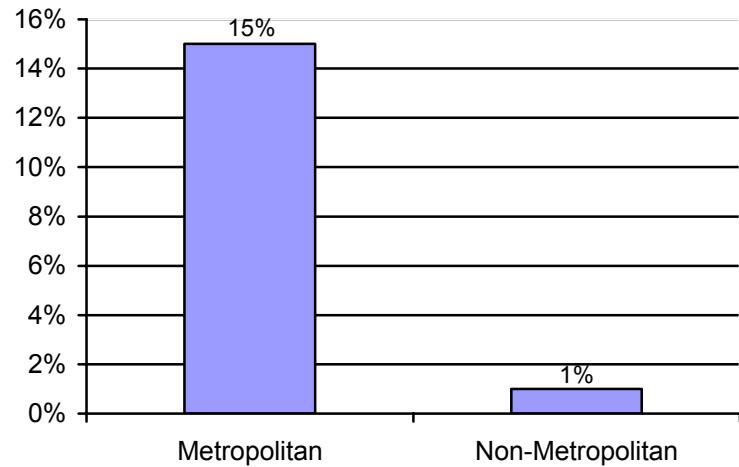


**Percentage of Beneficiaries in HMOs, by Health Status**

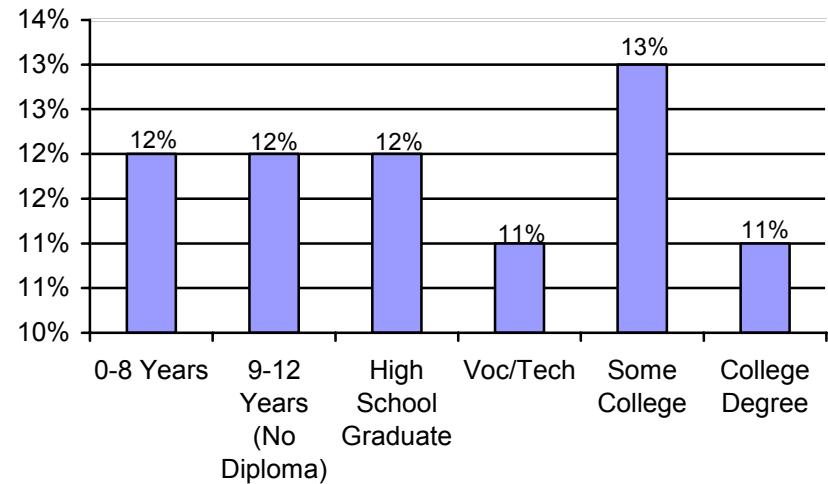


- Beneficiaries with no functional limitations were more likely to join an HMO than beneficiaries with limitations.
- Beneficiaries in good, very good, or excellent health were more likely to join an HMO than were those in fair or poor health.

**Percentage of Beneficiaries in HMOs, by Metropolitan Residence**



**Percentage of Beneficiaries in HMOs, by Years of Schooling**



- Of beneficiaries in metropolitan areas, 15 percent belonged to an HMO, while only 1 percent of beneficiaries in non-metropolitan areas belonged to an HMO.

- Beneficiaries with some college education were the most likely to join an HMO, while beneficiaries with voc/tech and a college degree were the least likely to join an HMO.